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Re: In connection with prosecution in Serial No.
09/911,051, please find enclosed:
(1) An Amendment and Response to Office
Action, including Version With Markings
To Show Changes Made
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Sincerely,

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Serial. No. 09/911,051

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant: Weenna Bucay-Cuoto

Serial No.: 09/911,051

Filed: 07/23/2001

Title: LONG-TERM INDWELLING MEDICAL DEVICES
CONTAINING SLOW-RELEASING ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS
AND HAVING A SURFACTANT SURFACE

Art Unit: 3763

Examiner: Serke, Catherine

Docket No.: 01-089

VIA FACSIMILE 703-872-9302
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action dated September 20, 2002 in the
above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 6, 8, 12-15, and 21 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A medical device for long-term implantation comprising:
a reservoir comprising (a) a polymer matrix and (b) an antimicrobial agent
disposed within said polymer matrix, said reservoir adapted for long-term release of said
antimicrobial agent from said polymer matrix; and
a surfactant region comprising a surfactant, said surfactant region disposed over
said reservoir at an outer surface of said medical device,

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